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INDIA.

Report from Calcutta—Inspection of vessels.

Passed Assistant Surgeon E. K. Sprague reports, December 30, as follows:

During the week ended December 26, 1903, one ship left the port of Calcutta, bound for the United States, with a crew of 11 Europeans and 28 Lascars. The clothing and effects of the Lascars were disinfected by steam.

Inspection of pilgrims at Bombay en route to the Hedjaz.

Acting Asst. Surg. Edward H. Hume reports, January 8, as follows:

I have to-day witnessed the process of disinfection of pilgrims en route to Djeddah in Arabia, to be landed there for journey to Mecca.

The pilgrims are brought into a shed in small groups and are looked over both with regard to their own condition and that of their baggage. All clean clothes and fresh-looking baggage are passed; all other baggage is put through a steam sterilizer. After the personal routine examination all who are free from fever and other superficial signs of disease are sent, with their baggage, in native craft to an island some distance off the shore, where they are kept under medical supervision for ten days. At the end of that time those who remain well are allowed to embark for Djeddah. The pilgrimages occur at cer-

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tain stated times during the year, there being comparatively few pilgrims at other times. This wholesale segregation before embarkation is carried out only in the case of pilgrims. The examinations are made

by a considerable corps of trained workers.

The same indifferent attitude toward the escape of rats from the wharf on to steamers prevails here as has been reported to you by Passed Assistant Surgeon Sprague in Calcutta. I have been very carefully through the magnificent docks here—the Prince's Dock and the Victoria Dock (the former with an area of 30 acres and a quayage of 5,960 linear feet; the latter with an area of 24 acres and a quayage of 7,425 linear feet), and in no single case have I seen any appliance in use for the prevention of rats passing on board. The vessels are moored directly alongside the docks, and gangways are thrown on to the shore which can be found open constantly.

JAPAN.

Reports from Yokohama—Sanitary conditions good.

Assistant Surgeon Moore reports, January 1 and 8, as follows:

During the week ended December 26, 1903, one vessel having a

personnel of 46 crew was inspected.

The prefectural office being closed at this season no official report of contagious diseases in Yokohama for the above period has been received. It is believed that the sanitary condition of Yokohama and

Japan in general continues good.

During the week ended January 2, 1904, 4 vessels, having an aggregate personnel of 470 crew and 557 passengers, were inspected; 243 steerage and 19 crew were bathed and their clothing was disinfected. No official report of contagious diseases in Yokohama has been received for the above period, but it is believed that the sanitary condition of Yokohama and of Japan in general continues good.

Immigrants for Honolulu and San Francisco recommended for rejection.

Number of immigrants recommended for rejection on steamship Korea, for Honolulu, January 7, 1904, 4.

Number of immigrants recommended for rejection on steamship *Korea*, for San Francisco, January 7, 1904, 1.

MALTA.

Quarantine against Alexandria and Damietta removed.

Consul Grout reports, December 31, as follows: By order of the local government, quarantine restrictions which have hitherto been imposed against arrivals at that port from Alexandria and Damietta, Egypt, have been removed.

PANAMA.

 $Reports\ from\ city\ of\ Panama-Unsanitary\ conditions-Yellow\ fever.$

Assistant Surgeon Pierce reports, January 18, as follows: The general health of the city of Panama, week ended January 16, 1904, is